

Appln. No. 10/667,453  
Amendment  
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### REMARKS

Claims 1-26 remain pending in this application. Claims 13-14 have been amended via this paper in order to place this application in condition for allowance and to obtain an early notice of allowance. Applicants submit that these amendments were not made to overcome prior art and shall not in any way be construed to have narrowed the scope of protection.

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for his efforts with respect to the office action, dated January 31, 2005, related to the above-referenced application.

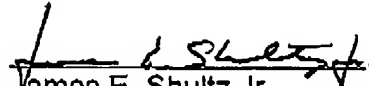
Turning to paragraph 2 of the Official Office Action, claims 13-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. The Applicants have amended claims 13 and 14, therefore, the Applicants submit that claims 13-16 are now in condition for allowance.

Applicants submit that the above-referenced application is now in condition for allowance. No new matter has been added via the amendments contained in this paper. Applicants, therefore, respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued. Please contact the undersigned should additional information be required.

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